

Latest Model Army Fighter's Record

TOKYO, July 16 (Domei).—A new addition to our air arm of the exceptionally powerful latest model Army fighter plane was officially made known to the public for the first time yesterday, when it was revealed that Kawasaki Aircraft Incorporated won a letter of thanks from War Minister Korechika Anami, who personally handed it to a representative of the firm at the War Office on Sunday afternoon.

The plane, whose descriptions still remain a military secret, made its debut on June 3, when enemy carrier planes attacked southern Kyushu. The maiden encounter with enemy raiders over southern Kyushu won this new fighter the admiration of our air force by summarily knocking out of the sky eight enemy planes in intercepting about 40 "Hellcats" and "Corsairs."

FOE'S ADMISSION

This new model plane's excellent performance upon making its debut appears to have amazed enemy airmen. Two days later, on June 3, the San Francisco Radio, in reporting the southern Kyushu raid, referred to interception by Nippon fighters of hitherto unknown type, which it admitted had extremely great speed and excellent manoeuvrability. The reference was obviously to this army fighter plane. Ever since this successful debut, the same fighter plane has been active making an easy prey of enemy Grummans and other planes over the Nippon mainland.

Anami's letter of thanks warmly praised the management and workers of Kawasaki Aircraft Incorporated by declaring, "The production of this aircraft is most timely, adding greatly to the striking power of our air force and thereby enhancing the fighting spirit of our entire Army."

The War Minister voiced his admiration of the outstanding performance of this new-type Army fighter by declaring, "Once this crack-fighter plane soared over the battlefield it gave the most impressive demonstration of its exceptional striking power by literally performing the feat of destroying the enemy upon sight. The brilliant war results already credited to this new model plane in working havoc with American fighters have struck terror into the hearts of the arrogant enemy."

TERNATE MOPPING-UP

A Nippon Base in Southwest Pacific, July 18 (Domei).—The clearing up operations undertaken by Nippon garrison forces in Ternate Island against remnants of the landed enemy invaders are now nearing completion. Three hundred casualties so far are known to have been inflicted on the enemy.

The remainder of the enemy forces are also being wiped out. The clearing-up campaign followed the successful attack by Nippon forces in the Togaho and Tadoma sectors on the west coast of the island where Nippon forces encircled and virtually annihilated the main strength of the enemy invaders.

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Iranian Issue

Zurich, July 16 (Domei).—With the object of alleviating Anglo-Soviet tension regarding Iran, British Prime Minister Winston Churchill is expected to present the Iranian question to Soviet Premier Josef Stalin at the "Big Three" conference at Potsdam, according to a British United Press dispatch from London.

It said that it is believed that the British Prime Minister will propose simultaneous withdrawal of British and Russian troops from Iran in easy stages, as the continued presence of Russian and British troops in the country is now only serving to heighten Anglo-Soviet tension in the Middle East. The British are said to be willing to withdraw their troops immediately if the Russian will do the same, but they will not withdraw while the Russians remain.

The dispatch said, "Iranian oil is the immediate cause of this jockeying, but the basic cause goes deeper. The British are uneasy about southward expansion of Russian influence and its bearing upon the empire's communication lines to India."

British quarters were reported to be viewing the Iranian situation with increasing concern, as the Russians have begun an intensified propaganda campaign against what they call undemocratic actions of the Iranian Government.

Confab Opens

Lisbon, July 17 (Domei).—With Stalin's arrival at Potsdam, the "Big Three" conference formally got underway at 5 this evening, the Moscow Radio announced today. An American Office of War Information dispatch from Potsdam said that President Truman and Stalin held their first meeting today prior to the initial session of the conference.

The meeting was attended by American Secretary of State James Byrnes, Soviet Foreign Commissar Vyacheslav Molotov and other members of the American and Russian delegations, it said. Stalin was then reported to have lunched with Truman and Byrnes. Churchill today lunched with American Secretary for War Henry Stimson.

ANTI-BRITISH ACTIVITY

Lisbon, July 16 (Domei).—Continuance of anti-British terroristic activity in Palestine was today reflected in a Jerusalem dispatch which reported that a British constable was killed on Friday afternoon when 10 armed Jews held up a lorry containing explosives, which he was escorting to some quarters near Petahdtkva. The Jewish driver was kidnapped by the gang, who made off with the lorry.

Effective Counter-Attacks By Balik Papan Garrison

A NIPPON Base in Southern Regions, July 18 (Domei).—Nippon garrison units conducted counter-assaults yesterday in the Balik Papan sector where fighting has apparently stalemated, except for minor gains made by enemy troops near the Samarinda Road.

With occasional detonations of heavy explosions rending the air, pillars of flames were seen shooting skyward from a number of enemy positions on the Balik Papan front.

This attested to the successful sorties made by our storming parties which charged deep into the enemy, taking advantage of the shifting of enemy troops in this sector.

The Nippon garrison in Balik Papan has already inflicted heavy losses upon the enemy as a result of repeated vigorous counter-attacks

Fires Controlled

Fukuoka, July 18 (Domei).—Thirty-one Mariana-based enemy B-29's raided Oita City and its vicinity with incendiary bombs early on Tuesday morning for nearly 90 minutes from shortly past midnight, according to a communique released by the Seibu Army District Command Headquarters yesterday.

The communique said that several "Superforts" appeared over Bungo Strait, ranging over the Kunisaki Peninsula area and also part of Yamaguchi Prefecture. The enemy raid caused fires to start around Oita city which, however, were brought under control by about 4.30 yesterday morning, the communique revealed.

Sixty Okinawa-based enemy bombers and fighters, flying in several formations, raided southern Kyushu for three hours beginning shortly before 9 yesterday morning. The areas attacked include the environs of the cities of Kagoshima and Miyazaki.

MORNING RAID

Nagoya, July 18 (Domei).—About 90 Mariana-based "Superforts" struck the city of Kuwana, Miye Prefecture, before dawn yesterday. The enemy attack which lasted nearly two hours, beginning from 1 in the morning, was made with incendiaries and bombs, according to a communique released by the Tokai Army District Command at noon yesterday. Fires broke out in and around Kuwana, but they were brought under control by dawn, the communique said.

AIRFIELDS AS TARGETS

Tokyo, July 18 (Domei).—An enemy task force, operating in waters adjacent to the Nippon mainland conducted an aerial attack on the Kanto and Tohoku districts from early yesterday morning. (Turn to page 2, column 4)

Imperial A.D.C. Hears Reports

Tokyo, July 17, (Domei).—Tenno Heika was graciously pleased to despatch Col. Kenichi Ogata, Imperial Aide-de-Camp, to the Overall Army Air Command Headquarters yesterday morning. Gracious words of encouragement from the Throne were conveyed to the staff of the Headquarters by Ogata, who also heard reports on air operations.

It is understood that Tenno Heika will be graciously pleased to despatch Imperial Aides-de-Camp to all major air units throughout the country for similar purposes.

In a statement to the Press, Lieut.-General Torashiro Kawabe, Overall Army Air Commander, said that he was deeply impressed by the gracious consideration the Throne has shown for the air force under the present grave war situation. All members of the force, as vanguard of our counter-attacks to crush the enemy invaders, renewed their determination to fulfil their duties at any cost in order that the mind of Tenno Heika may be put at rest, Kawabe said.

Send-off For Syonan Evacuees

SYONAN, JULY (DOMEI).—TO WAVES OF "GOOD-BYE" AND WISHES OF "GOOD LUCK" FROM HUNDREDS OF RELATIVES, FRIENDS AND WELL-WISHERS WHO WERE PRESENT ON THE PLATFORM, SYONAN'S FIRST EVACUATION TRAIN SLIPPED OUT OF THE LOCAL STATION SHORTLY AFTER MIDNIGHT LAST NIGHT, CARRYING 298 PASSENGERS, MOSTLY WOMEN AND CHILDREN, TO VARIOUS EVACUATION CENTRES IN PERAK PROVINCE.

Comprising in the majority, Chinese families and including a handful of Eurasian and Malay households, the evacuees were led by Mamoru Shinozaki, Chief of the Public Welfare Department of the Syonan Special Municipality. The centres where the evacuees will detain are Taiping, Ipoh and Kampar. Most of the evacuees have friends and relatives in these towns.

Those present last night at the send-off included leaders of the various communities, and the "Boys in Blue"—members of the Syonan Sports Association's Forward Service Corps who had earlier volunteered as porters for the evacuees. The Police Band was also in attendance.

Prior to the departure each evacuee, including tiny tots, was given a hamper by the authorities, and it is noteworthy that the evacuees were all provided with transport right from their homes to the railway station.

Among the evacuees was the wife of a local practitioner, Mrs. Hu Chee Ing, herself a doctor, who together with her children and mother is proceeding to Sittawan, 50 miles from Ipoh.

In the meantime, the second batch of evacuees, comprising 447 persons, is scheduled to leave on July 19 for Penang and Kedah.

Preparations In Taiping

Taiping:—Bright prospects are in store for the Syonan evacuees who are destined to begin a new life when they arrive in this city on July 18.

At a meeting of community leaders held under the chairmanship of the District Officer, Larut and Matang a joint committee was set up to formulate plans to look after the future welfare of these evacuees.

Evacuees who are keen on growing food crops and help in the self-sufficiency drive will be allotted fertile lands in the district and will be given every facility for this purpose.

There is also wide scope in industrial plants for evacuees who are desirous of assisting in the war effort.

All evacuees on reaching their destination will be given comfortable housing accommodation and will also receive quantities of food-stuffs and monetary gifts to tide over their initial stay.

The people of Taiping, it is hoped will wholeheartedly co-operate with the authorities and their community leaders in making the scheme a success.

Full Of Fighting Spirit To Destroy Enemy

(Continued from July 17)

The third instalment of the article on the preparedness of Malai to meet any contingency is as follows:—

PENANG: "Come on, dirty enemy!" This is the watchword of the 400,000 inhabitants of Penang Shu, where the garrison, the Nippon-jin staff of the Shu Seicho including Nippon-jin civilians, and the Boeitai have completed their three-stage preparations and are full of fighting spirit to destroy the on-coming enemy.

The Nippon-jin residents, who have been endeavouring to increase food production and strengthen the fighting power in collaboration with the military administrative authorities, are being given severe training like real military men daily after office-hours. This is to ensure maximum fighting power in the present stage of the critical war situation. They go to the training ground as soon as their office-work is finished and they are given instructions in shooting, bayonet-fighting and other field operations until the sun sets beyond Penang Hill. They already possess strong confidence of destroying the enemy by their hands should he try to invade. This self-confidence was fully demonstrated on the occasion of the inspections of reservists held recently.

Nippon ladies also are being trained in shooting, as well as in the work of supply line of foodstuff and ammunition in the rear.

CIVIL DEFENCE

The representative organ of civil defence in Penang Shu is the Jikeidan, which is composed of 17 units, each unit having 300 members or so. The duties of the members are to attend at police stations or their branches every night and assist the constables to control the traffic and inspect pedestrians. Their other duties are to watch for enemy planes and submarines at centres of observation situated in various parts of Penang Island, and to check the

NOTICE

With reference to the notice which was published in the Perak Shimbun, (English Edition) on June 19, 20 and 21 last, re the New World Amusement Park, Kampar, it may be pointed out that the business has been taken over by the Perak Oversea Chinese Association, Kampar Branch, on behalf of the said Messrs. Foong Onn Kwan, Koo Weng Kit, Lee Sue, Chang Wah, Kong Peng Cheong, Thong Koon Hoong, Hew Thean Tuck and Ho Kok Sang.

Kampar, July 13th. 2605.

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rebels from slipping in. They have acquired so much experience that when the enemy planes dropped false propaganda leaflets recently, the Jikeidan members in the affected area collected all these leaflets and forwarded them to the authorities within three hours. Such acts of co-operation on their part, with fine anecdotes have been recorded too many times to enumerate here.

The Jikeidan consists of six squads: administration, watch, alarm, fire-fighting, rescue and repair. The duties of administration and alarm squads are to convey quickly the alert and precautionary signals from Police Stations or their branches to the Ku-cho and Rinpohan-cho. The watch squad goes to its post instantly and takes action, while the repair squad will clear the debris of damaged houses and roads. Thus in a very short period, orders from the Shu Chokan are conveyed to each Tonarigumi, and all precautions duly taken. Their speed is dependable.

MORALE RISING

The morale of the well-trained policemen, on whose shoulders lies the responsibility of maintaining public peace, is rising to a high pitch, and soon there will exist a society to look after the welfare of these policemen.

In Province Wellesley, the inhabitants, including the Volunteers and Heiho, are determined to emulate Heiho Ahmad. Thus the morale of all the inhabitants is soaring higher and higher with the development of the war situation, while the defences of Penang become more consolidated.

SELANGOR: Under the military administration, Selangor Shu has changed its character from a market of rubber and tin in pre-war days to one with resources of fighting power as an industrial area, and it is now receiving the final touches in its civilian defence scheme as an important and strategic base in Malai.

ACTIVE ROLES

JIKEIDAN: The back-bone of civil defence in Selangor Shu is the Jikeidan whose members include all males from 18 to 45 years of age. According to its system, a Han consists of 10 houses, a Bunku 10 Han, a Ku 10 Bunku, Dan 2 or 3 Ku, which are under the command of the police station situated in each area. All Dan are united under the Rengo Dan. The activities of the Jikeidan cannot as yet be said to be perfect, but Jikeidan units have already started to play active roles to block Communistic bandits and enemy spies. It is anticipated that positive activities with good results will take place in due course. For the present, the most active organs of the Shu defence scheme are the Taiku Kansai Tai (Plane Observation Squad), the Boeitai (Defence Corps) and the Keisatu Tai (Squad of Police). The Taiku Kansai Tai, with its net-work all over the Shu, is shouldering the responsibility of observing the movements of enemy planes, day and night, and for this work the inhabitants

Savings Drive

Syonan, July 17 (Domei).—The Malaiian banks, under the auspices of the Malaiian Banking Association, are launching a fourth savings campaign aiming at smashing all existing savings records, it is officially disclosed today.

The campaign, which will be conducted by all banks affiliated to the M.B.A., including Nippon, Chinese and Indian banking institutions, will commence on Aug. 1. The handling period is scheduled to close on Aug. 31.

It will be recalled that the last drive launched by the M.B.A. ended in tremendous success, with more than \$20 million saved by the Malaiian public.

express their deep gratitude. The Boeitai, with headquarters in Kuala Lumpur, and the Keisatu Tai, under the command of each Police Station Chief, are both brave bodies of men who are rendering distinguished services by putting a blockade against the Communistic bandits. At the moment they are proceeding with their training to destroy the enemy. It must not be omitted that a large number of Nippon-jin are actively carrying on the Shu defence work. At the inspection of reservists which was held in the middle of June, they showed that they have gained self-confidence to destroy the oncoming enemy. For this they are pursuing their military training every day.

The right hand of the Nippon-zin, which was once used in the construction of industrial Selangor and in the campaign for the increase of foodstuffs, with hammer and spade, at the head of Genchi-jin workers, is now being utilised for the more vital purpose of destroying the enemy, with sword and rifle, at the head of Genchi-jin fighters.

It is a real fact that Nippon-zin are endeavouring to complete preparations for the emergency together with the military forces, and not a day is allowed to pass by quietly without activity to increase the fighting power as well as to strengthen the defence of Selangor and Malai.

Ipoh Badminton

In a return encounter of badminton played in the Town Hall during the week-end, the Toyo Kozan Sports Club again emerged victors over the Tokyo Shibaura Denki team by six games to two.

Before the presentation of a silver cup donated by the Toyo Kozan Kabushiki Kaisha, Mr. Chew Chee Cheong, announced that there was a suggestion to run a doubles league among the various kaishas in the near future. In this connection a meeting will be held shortly and it is hoped that all those interested in the game would give their co-operation.

Successful Ipoh Charity Concert

Ipoh.—The grand variety concert held in the Bunka Eiga Gekijo on Saturday and Sunday in aid of the widows and children of the members of the Police force proved a great financial success.

Nippon, Malai, Indian and Chinese songs and dances featured the programme. There were packed houses on the two nights the concert was held.

Speaking on behalf of the organisers, Mr. Sarinukh Singh explained the noble object of the undertaking and expressed thanks to members of all communities for their support.

He next stressed the duty of every Asian at this decisive stage of war. He urged all Asians to continue to give their utmost co-operation to the Administration.

The State Band was in attendance.

Rajuloo's Party rendered several lively Indian items.

Trieste Again

Zurich, July 16 (Domei).—The Anglo-American occupation authorities are experiencing difficulties in the administration of Trieste owing to repeated remonstrances from some official Yugoslav bodies, according to information reaching here.

The latest of these protests, which was handed to the Anglo-American Command by a delegation of Trieste's anti-Fascist organisations, it is understood, demands the release of arrested anti-Fascists and charges that Fascists are being allowed to hold public office.

It is reliably understood that Slovene elements in Istria have definitely attempted to sabotage the caretaker administration of the Anglo-American military government.

Abortive Attempts (FROM PAGE ONE)

picking out airfields and military installations in Fukushima, Miye, Abaragi and Chiba prefectures as their principal targets.

It is estimated that about 350 planes participated in the raids. The enemy raiders also invaded eastern Nippon, intermittently raiding military establishments in the northern section of Hokkaido Prefecture.

Following up Saturday's raid carrier-based planes from the enemy task force again attacked Hokkaido and Tohoku districts from early in the morning of Sunday. Part of the enemy warcraft, including battleships, cruisers, and destroyers subjected industrial facilities at Muroran, Hokkaido, to bombardment for one hour beginning at 9.30 a.m.

The latest check-up, meanwhile, reveals that Nippon air defence forces shot down 20 raiders and damaged 20 others during the carrier-borne raid on these two districts on Saturday.

AMERICAN LOSSES

Lisbon, July 16 (Domei).—The U.S. Army and Navy yesterday jointly announced that the U.S. armed forces had suffered a total of 1,049,104 casualties since the outbreak of the war, according to a Washington dispatch.

EDITORIAL

Growing Conflict

THE conflict between the Anglo-Americans on one side and the Russians on the other is slowly but surely moving towards a crisis. Ample proof of this fact is afforded by recent Domei news reports emanating from various reliable sources.

A new Soviet move in the Balkans is indicated by a special article published in the New York Times which states that Soviet troops have now appeared on Bulgaria's border with Greece and that at some points Russian non-commissioned officers appear to be in charge of border posts. After relating certain frontier incidents with small Albanian, Yugoslav and Bulgarian bands which are growing in number, the New York Times article concludes that the result of all this is that not only are Balkan relationships undergoing a considerable strain but Anglo-Russian harmony is deteriorating.

That much is, indeed, very revealing, but probably more significant than that is the Domei news about the cold reception accorded to British troops who arrived recently in Berlin to take up occupational duties. The British discovered to their dismay and inconvenience that no accommodation was provided for their use.

Indicative of the indignation felt by British troops was the order of the day issued by their Commander who, in openly admitting that "for some reason which I myself do not know, there was a misunderstanding between our own Government, and that of our Russian allies," and pointing out the rigid security maintained by the Russians, remarked, "It is not for us to question this policy and we must, therefore, accept the rather unexpected circumstances in which we find ourselves with good grace and without loss of temper or dignity."

To say nothing of the disagreement already existing between the Anglo-Americans and the Russians over the administration of Berlin, the cold reception given to the British troops and such other developments as Russia's recent demands on Turkey and her request to participate in the proposed Tangiers conference, clearly show the conflicting aims and ambitions of the so-called allies which, to all appearances, will eventually lead to a showdown between the Anglo-Americans and the Russians.

Destroyer Blown Up

Lisbon, July 16 (Domei).—The U.S. destroyer "Gambler" was blown up and sunk outside Apra Harbour yesterday when it was decided that the damage she suffered from Nippon bombs during the battle for Iwojima was irreparable, according to a Guam dispatch. The dispatch disclosed that the American destroyer incurred two bomb strikes amidship from a low flying Nippon plane on Feb. 18. Fourteen members of the ship's crew were either killed, wounded or missing, the report said.